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MILITARY AND PARAMILITARY BOOKS

a. Czynniki Zwyciestwa (Factors in Victory) (207 pp) Publication of Polish Ministry of National Defense, Warsaw, 1952, in edition of 5,000 copies. Probably intended for indoctrination officers in work to raise morale. Cites World War II data to prove Communist advantages over capitalist with regard to the cause, the art of war, the endurance of the second line of defense or economic potential, morale of the army, the number of quality of army divisions, equipment, organizing ability of leaders, variables and interdependence of constants. The principal thesis appears to be that the USSR would not succumb to a blitz attack and in a long drawn out struggle would be able to turn all long-range factors to its own advnatage. States that during the final 3 years of World War II, USSR produced 90,000 tanks, self-propelled guns and armored vehicles, 40,000 aircraft, about 120,000 cannon of all calibers, 450,000 machine guns, over 3,000,000 rifles, 2,000,000 machine pistols, 100,000 mortars, and 240 million artillery projectiles, bombs, and mines. In 1944 USSR produced 7,400 million rounds of ammunition.

b. Szkice Z Bojow (Battle Sketches) (194 pp) Published by Polish Ministry of National Defense, Warsaw, 1952. There are fictional anecdotes which are supposed to be based on real incidents and characters of the Communist undergrounds in Poland in World War II.

c. Przeprawy Wodne (Water Crossings) (87 pp) Publication of Liga Morska (Maritime League), Warsaw, 1951. Handbook for members of Liga Morska on crossing of rivers and streams by fording, makeshift rafts, rowboats, and on ice.

d. Lacznik Zolnierz Niezawodny (Army Courier) (69 pp) Publication of Ministry of National Defense, Warsaw, 1952. Gives pointers on carrying messages under various types of battle conditions.

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